

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

An openable and closeable umbrella having the appearance of a thatched South Sea Island or Caribbean umbrella, and the ability to shield the users of the umbrella from the sun. The umbrella features a circular one piece woven thatch overlaid upon a fabric umbrella canopy, which canopy is conventionally attached to the frame of the umbrella. The frame includes a series of spaced ribs attached to struts and a means to open and close the frame. The woven thatch is screwed or otherwise secured to the ribs of the frame through the canopy layer. Means are provided for raising and lowering the umbrella.